UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

DANIEL E. LAFRENIERE,)
Plaintiff,)
V.) Civil No. CV-04-40070-NG
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Defendant.)
)

ANSWER

- 1. Paragraph 1 of the Complaint sets forth the jurisdictional basis of Plaintiff's Complaint, and, as such, no response is required. To the extent the Plaintiff states factual allegations, they are denied.
- 2. Paragraph 2 of the Complaint is an identification of a party which requires no response. To the extent that a response is required, the defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 2.
- 3. Paragraph 3 of the Complaint sets forth the jurisdictional basis of the Plaintiff's Complaint and, as such, no response is required. To the extent that the Plaintiff states factual allegations, they are denied.
- 4. Paragraph 4 of the Complaint sets forth the jurisdictional basis of the Plaintiff's Complaint and, as such, no response is required. To the extent that the Plaintiff states factual allegations, they are denied.
- 5. Paragraph 5 of the Complaint sets forth the venue of the Plaintiff's Complaint and, as such, no response is required. To the extent that the Plaintiff states factual allegations, they are denied.
- 6. The defendant admits that some items were seized on the alleged dates. The defendant denies any remaining allegations contained in Paragraph 6.
- 7. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 7, but denies the dates as alleged in this Paragraph.

- 8. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 8 of the Complaint.
- 9. The defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 9 of the Complaint.
- 10. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 10 of the Complaint.
- 11. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 11 of the Complaint, but denies the dates as alleged in this Paragraph.
- 12. The defendant admits the first sentence of Paragraph 12, and denies the remaining allegations.
- 13. The defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to admit or deny the allegations in Paragraph 13 of the Complaint and thus denies the allegations.
- 14. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 14 of the Complaint.
- 15. The defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to admit or deny the allegations in Paragraph 15 of the Complaint and thus denies the allegations.
- 16. The defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to admit or deny the allegations in Paragraph 13 of the Complaint and thus denies the allegations.
- 17. The defendant admits that the property was returned, but denies the remaining allegations of Paragraph 17.
- 18. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 18 of the Complaint.
- 19. The defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to admit or deny the allegations in Paragraph 19 of the Complaint and thus denies the allegations.
- 20. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 20 of the Complaint.
- 21. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 20 of the Complaint.

- 22. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 22 of the Complaint, except that the plaintiff has misquoted the language in the Report.
- 23. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 23 of the Complaint.
- 24. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 24 of the Complaint.
- 25. The defendant admits that the plaintiff submitted an Administrative Claim through an SF-95 dated June 30, 2003, but denies the remaining allegations.
- 26. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 26 of the Complaint.
- 27. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 27 of the Complaint.
- 28. The defendant is without knowledge or information sufficient to admit or deny the allegations in Paragraph 28 of the Complaint and thus denies the allegations.
- 29. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 29 of the Complaint.
- 30. The defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 30 of the Complaint.
- 31. The defendant admits that the Federal Bureau of Investigations has had conversations with the plaintiff's brother over the past 6 years, but denies the remaining allegations contained in Paragraph 31.
- 32. The defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 32 of the Complaint.
- 33. The defendant incorporates its responses to Paragraphs 1-32 of the Complaint as if stated fully herein.
- 34. The defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 34 of the Complaint.
- 35. The defendant incorporates his its responses to Paragraphs 1-34 of the Complaint as if stated fully herein.

- 36. The defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 36 of the Complaint.
- 37. The defendant incorporates his its responses to Paragraphs 1-36 of the Complaint as if stated fully herein.
- 38. The defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 38 of the Complaint.

The defendant denies the remaining allegations of the Complaint following the word "WHEREFORE."

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

- 1. The Plaintiff fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.
- 2. The Court lacks subject matter jurisdiction over the plaintiff's Bailment Claim.
- 3. The plaintiff has failed to present his claims in a timely manner.
- 4. The plaintiff is not entitled to interest and costs.

For the Defendant,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Suffolk, ss.

Boston, Massachusetts October 20, 2004

I, Rayford A. Farquhar, Assistant U.S. Attorney, do hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing upon the Pro Se Plaintiff, Daniel E. Lafreniere, Reg. No. 90333-038, Federal Medical Center, Devens, P.O. Box 879 - Camp, Ayer, Massachusetts, 01432.

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